

In the Claims: Please edit the claims as indicated:

What is claimed is:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A payment authorization system comprising:

2 C2 a) a computer network;

3 b) a merchant computer containing promotional data, said merchant computer having automatic means for
4 communicating order information including an account number originating from a remote consumer computer via
5 said computer network; and,

6 c) a financial processing computer, remote from said merchant computer, having,

7 1) automatic means responsive to said order information for communicating, via said network of
8 computers, an authorization indicia to said merchant computer, and,

9 2) means for ~~connecting~~ said remote consumer computer to a selected site within said merchant
10 computer in response to said authorization indicia.

1 2. (Original) The payment authorization system according to claim 1, wherein said merchant computer
2 further includes automatic means for generating a shipping order in response to said authorization indicia.

1 3. (Original) The payment authorization system according to claim 1:

2 a) a customer computer remote to said merchant computer and said financial processing computer; and,

3 b) wherein said financial processing computer further includes automatic means for communicating a
4 password to said customer computer; and,

5 c) wherein said merchant computer further includes:

6 1) memory means containing secured data, and,

7 2) automatic means for transmitting the secured data to said customer computer in response to the
8 password from said customer computer.

1 4. (Original) The payment authorization system according to claim 3, wherein said password and said
2 authorization indicia are communicated to said customer computer via said merchant computer.

1 5. (Currently Amended) An authorization system comprising:
2 a) a merchant computer having automatic means for communicating payment information via a computer
3 network , said payment information including an account number originating from a remote consumer computer;
4 and,
5 d) a remote financial processing computer generating an authorization indicia in response to said payment
6 information, and connecting the remote consumer computer to a selected site within said merchant computer in
7 response to said authorization indicia.

1 6. (Original) The authorization system according to claim 5, wherein said merchant computer further
2 includes automatic means for generating a shipping order in response to said authorization indicia.

1 7. (Original) The authorization system according to claim 5:
2 a) wherein said financial processing computer further includes automatic means for communicating a
3 password to a remote computer; and,
4 b) wherein said merchant computer further includes means for transmitting secured data to a remote
5 computer in response to the password.

1 8. (Original) The authorization system according to claim 7, wherein said password and said authorization
2 indicia are communicated to the remote computer via said merchant computer.

1 9. (Currently Amended) A system of computers comprising:
2 a) a merchant computer containing promotional data, said merchant computer having automatic means for
3 communicating order information including an account number originating from a remote consumer computer;
4 c) a computer, remote from said merchant computer having automatic means responsive to said order
5 information for communicating an authorization indica to said merchant computer, and connecting said remote
6 consumer computer to a selected site within said merchant computer .

1 10. (Original) The system of computers according to claim 9, wherein said merchant computer further
2 includes automatic means for generating a shipping order in response to said authorization indicia.

1 11. (Original) The system of computers according to claim 9:
2 a) wherein said financial processing computer further includes automatic means for communicating a
3 password to said customer computer; and,
4 b) wherein said merchant computer further include secured data, and, means for transmitting the secured
5 data to a remote computer in response to the password.

1 12. (Previously Added) A payment authorization system comprising:
2 a) a computer network; and,
3 b) a financial processing computer having,
4 1) means for establishing an authorization indicia in response to an account number and amount
5 received via said computer network, , and,
6 2) means for selectively connecting a consumer computer to a selected site within a merchant
7 computer.

1 13. (Previously Added) The payment authorization system according to claim 12, wherein said financial
2 processing computer further includes means for communicating a password to said consumer computer via said
3 computer network.

1 14. (Previously Added) The payment authorization system according to claim 13, wherein said financial
2 processing computer further includes means for communicating said authorization indicia to said consumer
3 computer via said computer network.